

17 November 1965

**MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support**

**SUBJECT** : Use of the Title "Doctor"

I talked with Mr. Helms about the attached memorandum. He agrees that there may well be many PhD's who prefer not to be called "Doctor." Would you therefore prepare an appropriate publication which will encourage but not require the use of this title in official communications.

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**Executive Director - Comptroller**

### Attachment

Memorandum dated 9 Nov 65 to DDCI

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: "Doctors" Within Agency Be So Identified In All Official Communications

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 5.
2. Since people are the Agency's most important asset, anything that gives prestige or status to employees is worthwhile.
3. The Agency has doctors of science, medical and dental doctors, PhD's, etc., some of whom are always identified within the Agency as "Doctor" while others are listed as "Mister".
4. It would seem desirable that all entitled to the designation "Doctor", because of earned, as distinguished from honorary degrees, be so identified at all times.
5. Recommendation: That all CIA employees with earned degrees of "Doctor" be identified in all official communications of the Agency as "Dr. X", etc.

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